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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Acceptance of this application for filing under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is requested because one of the joint inventors, Pramod K. Arora, has refused to sign the Declaration.

This patent application has joint inventors Pramod K. Arora and Brij P. Singh, who invented the subject matter that is disclosed and claimed in the application while employed by nanoFILM, Ltd., an Ohio Limited Liability Company.

Brij P. Singh has signed a Declaration, Power of Attorney and Assignment for this patent application.

Pramod K. Arora no longer is employed by nanoFILM, Ltd., and has refused to join in this application for patent.

A copy of this application with formal papers for signature by Pramod K. Arora

were sent to Pramod K. Arora by H. Duane Switzer with a letter dated June 26, 2001. TAB A

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Pramod K. Arora replied to H. Duane Switzer by an email dated June 26, 2001, indicating that Mr. Arora had "no interest to go through this or any future patent to Nanofilm, Ltd. from my work." TABB Mr. Arora then returned the application and formal papers to H. Duane Switzer by priority mail.

Pramod K. Arora resigned his employment with nanoFILM, Ltd. by a letter dated September 19, 2000, to Brij Singh, Vice President, Technology, for nanoFILM, Ltd. <u>TAB C</u>

By a letter dated September 22, 2000, Brij Singh responded to Pramod K. Arora's contentions concerning payments for patents. <u>TAB D</u>

Caryn M. Groedel, attorney for Pramod K. Arora, sent a letter dated July 10, 2001, to Scott Rickert, President of nanoFILM, Ltd., demanding payment for Mr. Arora's patents and threatening litigation. <u>TAB E</u>

Copies of assignments to nanoFILM, Ltd. that are recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for other patent applications filed by Pramod K. Arora are attached. <u>TAB F</u>

The last known address for Pramod K. Arora is 5144 Pinckneya Drive, North Royalton, Ohio 44133.

Respectfully submitted,

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